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ANNUAL REPORT

for the year

1958

of the

MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH

Incorporating the Annual Report of the

PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR

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BEAUMARIS BOROUGH COUNCIL

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH FOR THE YEAR 1958.

To the Mayor, Ladies and Gentlemen,

Mr. Mayor, Aldermen and Gentlemen,

I have the honour to present my annual report for the year 1958.

The population figure for 1958 of the Registrar General remains the same as for the previous year. The number of inhabited houses remains at the figure of 671, with the Borough possessing 157 council houses.

The Birth rate during 1958 is less by three than what it was in 1957, and the number of illegitimate births are also less by three No stillbirth was recorded.

More males than females died in 1958, a reverse to the situation the previous year. Again there was no Maternal Death nor loss of an infant under one year in the Borough.

The main causes of death has again been due to diseases of the heart followed by cancer and then strokes. There was no death due to tuberculosis, 1956 was the last year when 2 deaths occurred due to this particular disease.

One case of tuberculosis was, however, recorded, that of a boy aged 13 years A total number of 60 cases of measles were notified in contrast to none during 1957.

The number vaccinated against smallpox, diphtheria and whooping cough remain at a satisfactory level and the parents within the Borough are again to be complimented for the co-operation and foresight in accepting such preventive measures against these infectious diseases.

The health within the Borough during 1958 was satisfactory and appreciation is again felt for the excellent work and co-operation of all the General Practitioners in Beaumaris.

The sanitary situation of the Borough for 1958 is reported upon by the Public Health Inspector, His industrious foresight in his regular and frequent inspections is highly complemented and appreciated. The pleasing circumstances of the health of the district is largely due to his excellent work. It is recommended that his observations regarding the Drainage and Sewerage Disposal within the Borough should receive the Council's consideration.

In conclusion, I would like to thank you Mr. Mayor, and Members of the Council for your interest, and the Town Clerk, Public Health Inspector and Officers of the Council for their co-operation and help.

I remain,

Your obedient servant,

Arthur Jones.

GENERAL STATISTICS

Area in Acres	3,135
Population (Registrar General's mid 1958 estimate)	2,220
Number of inhabited houses ...	671
Number of Council houses ...	157
Rateable value	£22,807
Sum produced by a penny rate ...	£89

VITAL STATISTICS

Live births

	Male	Female	Total
Legitimate	14	13	27
Illegitimate	1	1	2
	15	14	29

The Birth Rate per 1,000 estimated population was 13.1. Rates for previous years were: 1954, 8.0; 1955, 15.1; 1956, 15.1; 1957, 14.4. The Birth Rate for Anglesey in 1958 was 16.3; England & Wales, 16.4.

The adjusted Birth Rate for Beaumaris for 1958 was 13.4.

Stillbirth

Nil

Deaths

Male	Female	Total
17	9	26

The Death Rate per 1,000 population was 11.7. Rates for previous years were: 1954, 10.2; 1955, 8.4; 1956, 12.4; 1957, 12.6. The Rate for Anglesey for 1958 was 13.3; England and Wales, 11.7.

The Adjusted Death Rate for Beaumaris was 9.9. The Adjusted Death Rate for Anglesey was 11.7.

Maternal Deaths

Nil.

Deaths of Infants Under One Year of Age.

Nil.

TABLE SHOWING CAUSES OF DEATH (ALL AGES)

Cause of Death	M	F
1. Malignant neoplasm, lung, bronchus	1	0
2. Malignant neoplasm, breast. ...	0	2
3. Other malignant and lymphatic neoplasms	0	1
4. Vascular lesions of nervous system ...	2	1
5. Coronary disease, angina ...	3	0
6. Other heart disease	4	4
7. Other circulatory disease ...	0	1
8. Pneumonia	2	0
9. Ulcer of stomach and duodenum ...	1	0
10. Other defined and ill-defined disease...	3	0
11. All other accidents	1	0
Total	17	9

PREVENTION AND CONTROL OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES

Notifiable Diseases (excluding tuberculosis)

Table showing cases notified during the year, classified in age groups.

Disease	Under 1	1 yr	2 yrs	3 yrs	4 yrs	5-9	10-14	15 & over	Age Unknown.
Measles	-	2	-	5	3	47	2	-	1

Tuberculosis

Only one case of pulmonary tuberculosis was notified during the year, a boy aged 13 years.

VACCINATION AND IMMUNISATION

These services are provided by the Councty Council and by General Practitioners in the Borough. The following figures are quoted by courtesy of the County Medical Officer.

Vaccination against Smallpox.

A total of 24 children were vaccinated for the first time during the year, and 8 others were re-vaccinated.

Vaccination against Tuberculosis.

B.C.G. vaccination is carried out by the Chest Physician in collaboration with the County Medical Officer and his staff. The scheme provides for the vaccination of new-born infants born into tuberculous households and of tuberculin negative contacts of known cases. During 1958, one such vaccinations were carried out in the Borough.

Diphtheria and Whooping Cough Immunisation.

A total number of 21 children were immunised for the first time against Diphtheria during the year, and 17 were immunised against Whooping Cough.

NATIONAL ASSISTANCE ACT, 1948.

No action was taken in respect of any individual under Section 47 of this Act.

REPORT OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR FOR THE YEAR, 1958

Summary of visits and work carried out during the year.

Dwelling-houses inspected for nuisances,	
a) Number of houses visited...	183
b) Number of inspections ...	226
Number of drains tested with colour, water or smoke..	2
Visits to work in progress	414
Interviews with owners or representatives ...	135
Dwelling-houses where nuisances abated ...	6
Visits in connection with overcrowding ...	1
Visits in connection with infectious diseases ...	3
Visits for disinfection of premises ...	1
Visits to premises re vermin	2
Visits to bakehouses, restaurants, cafes, canteens and hotel kitchens...	40
Visits to ice-cream premises	21
Visits to fish-friers premises	7
Visits to other food-preparing premises. ...	8
Visits re Shops Acts	1
Visits to workplaces	1
Visits re rats, mice and other infestation ...	22
Notices served,	
a) Informal	-
b) Statutory	-
Number of cases in which legal proceedings taken ...	-

Infectious Diseases

Number of visits	3
Number of cases in which disinfection was carried out	1

FOOD HYGIENE

Number of food premises by type of business (excluding registered premises).

Butchers	2
Grocers	9
Confectioners	2
Bakeries	3
Catering establishments (including cafes, restaurants, hotels)	9
Number of visits to food premises ...	40
Number of food premises unsatisfactory from point of view of hygiene	3

Preserved Food - Manufacture and Preparation.

Number of premises registered under Section 16 of Food and Drugs Act, 1955.	4
Number of new applications. ...	1
Number of visits ...	5

Ice Cream

Number of registered premises	9
Number of new applications	-
Number of inspections	13
Number of contraventions of the Heat treatment regulations 1947 to 1952 ...	-

Fish-Friers Premises

Number of premises registered	3
Number of new applications	1
Number of visits	3

Milk

Number of Dairies and Distributors registered under Part III of Milk & Daires Regulations, 1949...	4
Number of new applications	1
Number of visits to registered premises ...	6

Slaughterhouses	Nil
Knackers Yards.	Nil

UNSOUND FOOD

Food condemned during the year as unfit for human consumption (outside slaughterhouses).

	Qtrs	lbs.
Butchers' meat (including offal)	-	-
Other food (including tinned food).	2	6

RODENT CONTROL

Rodent Infestation of the sewers remains nominal. Treatment on complaint is carried out, using Warfarin & Sausage Rusk. Infestation at the Refuse Tip is treated with quick acting poisons.

WATER SUPPLY.

Number of dwelling houses supplied by public water mains:-

a) Direct to houses ...	601
b) By means of standpipes ...	21
Number of dwelling houses dependent on wells for their water	10
Number of wells found to be contaminated by faecal matter.	-

DRAINAGE AND SEWAGE DISPOSAL

The existing Sewerage System remains unchanged as no extensions or improvements were carried out during the year. Partial renewal of sections of the sewerage system is projected and the continuing delay in commencement of the proposed improvement to this system is strongly regretted.

REFUSE DISPOSAL

A weekly refuse collection is made in the Borough and controlled tipping is used as the means of disposal.

OFFENSIVE TRADES

Number registered Nil.

HOUSING

1. Inspection of Dwelling-houses during the year.

 (1) a. Total number of houses inspected for housing defects (under Public Health or Housing Act).. 174

 b. Number of inspections made for the purpose ... 223

 (2) Number of dwelling-houses found to be in a state so dangerous or injurious to health, as to be unfit for human habitation. ... 15

 (3) Number of dwelling-houses (exclusive of those referred to under the preceding sub-head) found not to be in all respects reasonably fit for human habitation. 3

2. Remedy of Defects during the year without service of Formal Notices. -

 Number of defective dwelling-houses rendered fit in consequence of informal action by the Local Authority or their Officers. 5

3. Action under Statutory Powers during the year.

 (a) Proceedings under Section 9, 10 and 12 of the Housing Act, 1957.

 1) Number of dwelling-houses in respect of which notices were served requiring repairs. ... Nil

 2) Number of dwelling-houses which were rendered fit after service of formal notices:

 a) By owners. Nil
 b) By Local Authority in default of owners.. Nil

 (b) Proceedings under the Public Health Acts.

 1) Number of dwelling-houses in respect of which notices were served requiring defects to be remedied. 4

 2) Number of dwelling-houses in which defects were remedied after service of formal notices,

 a) By owners Nil
 b) By Local Authority in default of owners... Nil

3. (c) Proceedings under Section 17 & 23 of the Housing Act, 1957.

1) Number of dwelling-houses in respect of which Demolition Orders were made. ... Nil

2) Number of dwelling-houses demolished. ... Nil

3) Number of houses awaiting demolition. ... 42

4) Number of houses in which undertakings accepted for use other than for human habitation. ... Nil

(d) Proceedings under Section 18 of the Housing Act, 1957.

1) Number of separate tenements or underground rooms in respect of which Closing Orders were made. Nil

2) Number of separate tenements or underground rooms in respect of which Closing Orders were determined, the tenant or room having been rendered fit. Nil.

4. Housing Act, 1957 - Part III. Section 44.

Number of houses in respect of which Clearance Orders were made. Nil

Housing Act, 1957 - Part IV - Sections 76-90 - Overcrowding.

(a) i. Number of dwellings overcrowded at the end of the year.... Nil
ii. Number of families dwelling therein ... Nil
iii. Number of persons dwelling therein ... Nil

(b) Number of new cases of overcrowding reported during the year... Nil

(c) i. Number of cases of overcrowding relieved during the year. Nil

ii. Number of persons concerned in such cases. Nil

(d) Particulars of any cases in which dwelling-houses have again become overcrowded after the local authority have taken steps for the abatement of overcrowding. Nil

5. Housing Act, 1957. Section 17.

Number of Houses in respect of which Closing Orders were made. Nil.

Summary of Housing Defects and Nuisances Remedied during the year.

Keeping of animals		...	Nil
Offensive accumulations		...	Nil
Sanitary accommodations,	insufficient	...	Nil
	defective	...	1

Drainage ...	reconstruction	...	-
	repaired	...	1
	cleansed	...	6
Cesspools and septic tanks	abolished	...	-
	repaired	...	-
Conversions to w.c.'s		...	-
Refuse receptacles	...	...	15
Food Stores	...	...	-
Water Supplies	...	...	-
Walls and ceilings	...	...	5
Floors	...	...	2
Windows and ventilation	...	...	-
Baths, lavatory basins and sinks	...	...	-
Staircases	...	...	-
Coppers (defective)	...	...	-
Dampness	...	...	3
Roofs and rainwater pipes	...	...	2
Yard paving	...	...	-
Chimneys and fireplaces	...	...	-
Miscellaneous	...	...	1

Inspection under the Factories Act, 1937 and 1948.

1. Inspections for purposes of provisions as to health.

Premises (1)	Number on Register (3)	Number of Inspections. (4)	Number of Written Notices (5)	Number of Occupiers prosecuted (6)
(i) Factories in which Sections 1,2,3,4 and 6 are to be enforced by Local Authorities.	2	1	-	-
(ii) Factories not included in (i) in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority.	19	11	-	-
(iii) Other Premises in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority (excluding outworkers' premises).	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	21	12	-	-

2. Cases in which defects were found.

Nil.